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JUDGES ATTEND JUDICIAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP

**Logan, Utah---**Two judges in the First Judicial District attended the American Academy of Judicial Education in San Diego, Ca., June 19 through 24, 2004.

First District Juvenile Court Judge Jeffrey R. Burbank and First District Court Judge Clint S. Judkins attended the workshop titled "A Judge's Philosophy of Law and Judging." The workshop, which attracted judges from across the country, provided information about emerging trends in the judicial community such as the effect of economics on developing law and the philosophy of "legal realism" now being taught in law schools.

The judges attendance at the workshop was supported by scholarships from the State Justice Institute (SJI), a nonprofit organization established by federal law to award grants to improve the quality of justice in state courts nationwide, facilitate better coordination between state and federal courts, and foster innovative, efficient solutions to common problems faced by all courts. SJI grants support the Institute and its many programs throughout the year.

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